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Security Council

10 a.m.	6022nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 6022nd meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-third session

10 a.m.	58th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	59th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Question of Palestine [16]
   - (a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/63/35)
   - (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/63/368)
   - (c) Draft resolutions (A/63/L.32, A/63/L.33, A/63/L.34 and A/63/L.35)
2. The situation in the Middle East [15]
   - (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/63/361 and A/63/368)
   - (b) Draft resolutions (A/63/L.36 and A/63/L.37)

Announcement

The rearrangement of the front page of the *Journal of the United Nations* is in accordance with paragraph 15 of General Assembly resolution 60/286 of 8 September 2006 (A/RES/60/286).

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General Assembly
Sixty-third session

There will be a presentation for delegations on the capital master plan (CMP) by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Management, and Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Assistant Secretary-General, *today*, 25 November 2008, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 3. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Norman Miranda, Chef de Cabinet of the Office of the President of the General Assembly. A letter from the Chef de Cabinet was sent by facsimile to all Permanent Representatives and Observers on Friday, 21 November 2008.

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

Drafting sessions on the draft outcome document for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (Doha, Qatar, 29 November–2 December 2008)

Drafting sessions on the draft outcome document of the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus will be held *today*, 25 November 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

The sessions will be co-chaired by the Co-Facilitators, H.E. Mr. Maged A. Abdelaziz (Egypt) and H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald (Norway).

The compilations and Facilitators' proposals are available on the Web site of the Financing for Development Office. For further information, including background materials, please consult that site <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/>.

The announcement concerning the Conference and its proposed organization of work appears on page 13.

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

Informal consultations of the process on strengthening international environmental governance to hear feedback from delegations on the revised draft resolution will be held *today*, 25, and *tomorrow*, 26 November 2008, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 65 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and its sub-items (a) to (c), chaired by H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas (Luxembourg), will be held on Wednesday, 26 November 2008, at 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

With reference to preparations for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (29 November-2 December 2008, Doha, Qatar), interested delegations are kindly reminded to communicate their interest in the posts of vice-president of the Conference and co-chairpersons of the six round tables at their earliest convenience through their respective regional groups. A letter dated 7 November 2008 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairpersons of the regional groups was circulated in this regard. For further information, please contact the Secretariat (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org)).

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

Main Committees

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 29th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. Operational activities for development . . . . . [54]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/63/L.43

2. Macroeconomic policy questions: International trade and development . . . . . [47 (a)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.35, A/C.2/63/L.49 and A/C.2/63/L.8

3. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the 2002 International Conference on Financing for Development and the preparation of the 2008 Review Conference [48]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.2/63/L.37

4. Sustainable development . . . . . [49]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.3/Rev.1 and A/C.2/63/L.3/Rev.1/Add.1

5. Sustainable development: follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States [49 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.44 and A/C.2/63/L.12

6. Sustainable development: Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [49 (d)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.45 and A/C.2/63/L.15

7. Globalization and interdependence: Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence [51 (a)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.47 and A/C.2/63/L.33

8. Eradication of poverty and other development issues: Industrial development cooperation [53 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/63/L.46 and A/C.2/63/L.6

Third Committee

3–6 p.m. 48th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Social development: Review and appraisal of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons [55 (e)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.3/Rev.1

2. Report of the Human Rights Council [58]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.57–A/C.3/63/L.57/Rev.1 (programme budget implications: A/C.3/63/L.77)*

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action [62 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.51/Rev.1 (programme budget implications: A/C.3/63/L.70)

4. Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [64 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/63/L.34/Rev.1, A/C.3/63/L.39/Rev.1 (and amendment contained in A/C.3/63/L.78) and A/C.3/63/L.46/Rev.1 (programme budget implications: A/C.3/63/L.61)*

5. Programme planning [119]

Action on draft decision A/C.3/63/L.79

6. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [110]

Action on document A/C.3/63/ L.76

7. Conclusion of the work of the Committee

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 129 (Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/63/314, A/63/782, A/62/748, A/62/748/Corr.1, A/63/211, A/63/253, A/63/283, A/C.5/62/27, A/C.5/63/9, A/62/7/Add.39 and A/63/545))	
3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: Development related activities (A/62/708, A/62/7/Add.40, A/63/335 and A/63/479))	

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive session	

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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General Assembly

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/63/L.8, entitled "Security and climate change" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Tonga and the delegations of the Pacific Small Island Developing States)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 65 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (under agenda item 52 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Belgium)

9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room S-770

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International migration and development" (under agenda item 51 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

9.30–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on information and communication technologies for development (under agenda item 46) (convened by the delegation of Argentina)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C-209B

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on the role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence (under agenda item 51 (a)) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption" (under agenda item 51 (d)) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

12 noon–1.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on South-South cooperation (under agenda item 54) (convened by the delegation of Jamaica)

1–3 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Third Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action" (under agenda item 62 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda)

10 a.m.–12 noon . . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 25 November 2008

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

JUSCANZ Group

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the draft outcome document for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters)

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters; and the draft resolution on the international environmental governance)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Second Committee.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Other activities

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Tuesday, 25 November 2008

High-level event on "United voices say *no* to violence against women", on the occasion of the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (organized by the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM))

From 1 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. To register, please contact Ms. Urjasi Rudra, UNIFEM (tel. 1 (212) 906-3623; e-mail urjasi.rudra@unifem.org). For further information, please visit <www.saynotoviolence.org>.]

UNU panel discussion on "Protracted refugee situations: Political, human rights and security implications" (organized by organized by the United Nations University Office in New York (UNU-ONY))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. To register or for more information, please visit <www.ony.unu.edu>; or contact Ms. Anna Chrisp, UNU-ONY (tel. 1 (212) 963-6387; e-mail anna@ony.unu.edu).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Tuesday, 25 November 2008

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann, President of the General Assembly; and H.E. Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Permanent Representative of Egypt, and H.E. Mr. Johan Løvald, Special Envoy for Financing for Development, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Co-Facilitators of the draft outcome document for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (on the upcoming Conference in Doha)

Guests at 12.30 p.m. . . Ms. Inés Alberdi, Executive Director, UNIFEM; Ms. Nicole Kidman, UNIFEM Goodwill Ambassador; H.E. Mr. Piet de Klerk, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Netherlands; and Ms. Marie Nyombo Zaina, grantee of the United Nations Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate Violence against Women (to announce the results of UNIFEM's "Say *no* to violence against women" campaign)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 26 November 2008

General Assembly

Sixty-third session

10 a.m. . . . . 60th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields: draft resolution (A/63/L.28) . . . . . [44]

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations . . [114]

   (c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: draft resolution (A/63/L.40)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: draft resolution (A/63/L.38)

(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization: draft resolution (A/63/L.39)

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 26 November 2008, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing by the Department on Peacekeeping Operations to members of the Special Committee on the "Experiences of Member States to increase the number of uniformed female personnel" on Wednesday, 26 November 2008, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

Independent Audit Advisory Committee
Fourth session

The Independent Audit Advisory Committee will hold its fourth session (closed) in Conference Room 9, on Monday, 1 December 2008, from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.15 to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 2 December, from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.15 to 6 p.m.; and Wednesday, 3 December 2008, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m.

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Wednesday, 10 December 2008, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

International expert group meeting on the implementation of article 42 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

The international expert group meeting on the role of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in the implementation of article 42 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples will take place from Wednesday, 14, to Friday, 16 January 2009, in Conference Room 5. Member States interested in attending, *at the expert level*, are kindly requested to inscribe with the secretariat of the Permanent Forum, by

Friday, 5 December 2008 (tel. 1 (917) 367-5759; fax 1 (917) 367-5102; e-mail pollack@un.org). Given space limitations, the list of participants in the meeting will be established on a first-come, first-served basis. The documents for the meeting are available at <www.un.org/esa/socdev/unpfii/en/EGM_A42.html>.

General Assembly
Sixty-third session

Drafting sessions on the draft outcome document for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus (Doha, Qatar, 29 November–2 December 2008)

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 62/187 (A/RES/62/187), drafting sessions on the draft outcome document for the Doha Review Conference (A/CONF.212/CRP.1) will be held in November 2008. The schedule of meetings and the draft outcome document are posted on the Web site of the Financing for Development Office <www.un.org/esa/ffd>.

All accredited stakeholders are invited to attend the drafting sessions; although only representatives of Governments and of the three major institutional stakeholders will be permitted to participate in the discussion, following the practice used in the preparatory phase for the Monterrey Conference.

In keeping with previous practice, stakeholders are welcome to make available in writing any contributions they deem appropriate, which should be addressed to the Co-Facilitators, with a copy to the Financing for Development Office, indicating their wish to have them posted on the Financing for Development Web site.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster" (under agenda item 65 a)) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and affected countries)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A; and

Tuesday, 2 December 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the recognition of sickle-cell anaemia as a public health priority (under agenda item 155 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Congo)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the delegation of India)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and

Friday, 28 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 65 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts" (under agenda item 11) (convened by the delegation of India)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Other forthcoming meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations (briefing on the Police Division review)

Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Forthcoming other activities

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UNITAR Seminar on International Trade and Policy

Monday, 1 December 2008, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E;

Tuesday, 2 December 2008, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.;

Wednesday, 3 December 2008, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and

Thursday, 4, and Friday, 5 December 2008, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; all sessions will take place in Conference Room E.

[To register, please visit <www.unitarny.org>. For further information, please contact Mr. David Koschel, UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; e-mail koschel@un.org).]

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on the theme "Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: Dignity and justice for all of us"

Wednesday, 3 December 2008:

Opening of the International Day

From 9.30 to 9.40 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

Seminar on "Implementing the digital accessibility agenda of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities" (co-organized by UNITAR, G3ict, Global Alliance for ICT and Development, DESA, and the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, DESA)

From 9.40 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[To register, please visit <www.unitarny.org>. For further information, please contact Mr. David Koschel, UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; e-mail koschel@un.org).]

Multimedia presentation on "Protecting and promoting the rights of persons with disabilities through advocacy efforts on the Convention for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Convention on Cluster Munitions: Experience, perspectives and tools from the field" (organized by the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS), Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions, Department of Peacekeeping Operations)

From 1.30 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron J. Buckley, UNMAS (tel. 1 (212) 963-4632; e-mail buckleya@un.org).]

Musical performances (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia and Hungary, in cooperation with the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, DESA)

From 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[To register, please visit <http://social.un.org/absolutefp/3Dec08.htm>. For further information, please contact Ms. Céline-Andrée Adotevi, DESA (e-mail adotevi@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "HIV and young people: Leadership for change" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand, with the support of UNFPA, UNAIDS and the Committee on HIV/AIDS of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations)

Thursday, 4 December 2008, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[For further information, please contact Dr. Victor Mari Ortega, UNAIDS (e-mail ortegav@unaids.org; cc: buhaine@unaids.org).]

UNU panel discussion on "The politics of hydrogen" and book launch (organized by organized by the United Nations University Office in New York (UNU-ONY))

Thursday, 4 December 2008, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. To register or for more information, please visit <www.ony.unu.edu>; or contact Mr. Durlabh Maharishi, UNU-ONY (tel. 1 (212) 963-6387; e-mail durlabh@ony.unu.edu).]

Panel discussion on "The role and value of faith-based organizations in combating violence against women" (organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Bahá'í International Community)

Thursday, 4 December 2008, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. To register or for more information, please contact Ms. Mehdia Bendella, UNFPA (e-mail bendella@unfpa.org); or Ms. Fulya Vekiloglu, Baha'i International Community (tel. 1 (212) 803-2500; e-mail oaw-nyc@bic.org).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus
Doha, Qatar, 29 November-2 December 2008

The Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus will be held from Saturday, 29 November, to Tuesday, 2 December 2008, at the Convention Centre of the Sheraton Doha Resort and Convention Hotel.

Plenary meetings

The Conference will include eight plenary meetings. The plenary meetings will be held on Saturday, 29 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and from Sunday, 30 November, to Tuesday, 2 December 2008, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 7 p.m. All plenary meetings will be held at the Al Dafna Hall.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings is open. Inscriptions shall be on a first-come, first-served basis, and will be rearranged in accordance with the established practice of the General Assembly. Delegations are reminded that interventions in the plenary meetings *should be limited to 5 minutes*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts.

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings that have not yet inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly invited to do so by e-mail (dizon@un.org); or contact Ms. Carmencita Dizon, in Doha, as of *Wednesday, 26 November 2008*.

Round tables

The Conference will include six interactive multi-stakeholder round tables on the six major thematic areas of the Monterrey Consensus. The round tables will be held on Saturday, 29 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. (round table 1); Sunday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (round table 2) and from 3 to 6 p.m. (round table 3); Monday, 1 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (round table 4) and from 3 to 6 p.m. (round table 5); and Tuesday, 2 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (round table 6). All the round tables will be held at the Al Majlis Auditorium.

Each round table will be open to participation by representatives of all Member States; 21 representatives of observers, relevant entities of the United Nations system and other accredited intergovernmental organizations; 7 representatives of accredited civil society organizations; and 7 representatives of accredited business sector entities. Each representative may be accompanied by one adviser. No list of speakers will be established.

Credentials of representatives

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives, in accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420D; tel. 1 (212) 963-1107; or fax 1 (212) 963-6430). Delegations are reminded that the last day for submission of credentials at United Nations Headquarters will be *today*, 25 November. After that date, credentials should be submitted by delegations attending the Conference to the Credentials Committee at the Sheraton Convention Center in Doha, on an urgent basis.

Composition of delegations

The delegation of each State participating in the Conference and that of the European Community shall consist of a head of delegation and such other representatives, alternative representatives and advisers as may be required. Delegations were kindly requested to submit comprehensive lists of delegations to the Protocol and Liaison Service in New York (room S-201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921). As of *Monday, 24 November 2008*, delegation lists, accreditation forms and all other conference-related materials *should have been submitted* for processing to the United Nations Accreditation Centre in Doha.

The provisional agenda, the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference and the note by the Secretariat on organizational and procedural matters of work are contained in documents A/CONF.212/1, A/CONF.212/2 and A/CONF.212/4, respectively.

Further information, including the list of side events, can be consulted from the Financing for Development Web site <www.un.org/esa/ffd/doha>.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with the terms of General Assembly resolution 55/75, the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees will convene in Geneva, on Tuesday, 9 December 2008, at 3 p.m. in Room XVII at the Palais des Nations.

Announcements

United Nations Administrative Tribunal (27 October–26 November 2008)

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *every day* until Wednesday, 26 November 2008, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 625 (DC2 Building).

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law: Urgent appeal for associate experts (junior professional officers)

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is pleased to announce that the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law was launched on 28 October 2008 and can be found at <www.un.org/law/avl>. The Audiovisual Library of International Law is a unique multi-media resource which is a core instrument for promoting a greater understanding of the essential role of the United Nations in the field of international law.

As this on-going project is entirely funded by voluntary contributions, the Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs is seeking contribution by Member States in funding associate experts (junior professional officers) in international law and in Web site management. For additional information, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-6971; e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Preparations for the fifty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-third session of the Commission on the Status of Women (2–13 March 2009), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives and innovative approaches to promote the equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including care-giving in the context of HIV/AIDS; and (b) Capacity building for mainstreaming a gender perspective into national policies and programmes to support the equal sharing of responsibilities between women and men, including care-

giving in the context of HIV/AIDS. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae outlining the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the theme of the panel. Information should be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail jagwanth@un.org or williams-carter@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *Friday, 28 November 2008*. Further details on the panel discussions will be made available at <www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/53sess.htm#interactive>.

Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

The Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development seeks voluntary contributions in order to support the activities involved in the preparations for the Doha Review Conference in 2008, and to support the travel and participation of representatives of developing countries, in particular least developed countries (para. 12 of General Assembly resolution 62/187 (A/RES/62/187)). The Secretary-General issued, on 6 June 2008, a note verbale to all Governments through their Permanent Missions, appealing for voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference of the Trust Fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, private institutions and individuals.

For further information on the Trust Fund, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka, Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-6653; e-mail halka@un.org); or visit <www.un.org/esa/ffd/trustfund/>.

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/ga/search/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/french/ga/search/journal.asp>.

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Summary of official meetings

Friday, 21 November 2008

General Assembly

Sixty-third session

Main Committees

Third Committee

44th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . . . [64 (b)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.31

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 124 to 52, with no abstentions.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of Zimbabwe and Ghana made statements regarding their votes.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.32

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement orally revised the text.

Brazil joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.38/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budg implications.

The representative of Mexico announced that Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Belarus, the Congo, Kenya, Mali, Mauritania, Nigeria and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines h joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and orally revised the text.

Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic and Guinea-Bissau joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republi of Venezuela, France (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries) and the United States.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.41

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budge implications.

The representative of Argentina announced that Bolivia, Colombia, Mongolia and Sou Africa had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Cambodia, Cape Verde, the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Latvia, Mali, Mauritius, Montenegro, Morocco, Timor-Leste, Togo, Uganda and Ukraine joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative the United States.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.44

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Cuba made a statement, in which he announced that Jamaica, Malaysia, Myanmar and Zambia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution and orall revised the text.

Bangladesh, Benin, Chad, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Indonesia, Lesotho, Namibia, Nigeria, Solomon Islands and Swaziland joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 12 to 52, with 7 abstentions.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative France (on behalf of the European Union and associated countries). After the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Uzbekistan regarding the vote of his country on the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [64 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Cape Verde, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Sudan, the Syrian Arab Republic and Algeria.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.26

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of France made a statement and announced that Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia and Turkey had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

El Salvador also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Singapore.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, by a recorded vote of 95 to 24 with 62 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Nepal, Malaysia, Myanmar, Panama, Ecuador, Egypt, Cuba, Antigua and Barbuda and Colombia; after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Viet Nam, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, China, Brazil, Belarus, India and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.33 (and programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/63/L.71)

The attention of the Committee was drawn to the programme budget implications on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/63/L.71.

The representative of Myanmar moved for the adjournment of debate on the draft resolution under rule 116 of the rules of procedure.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of China and the Russian Federation; statements against the motion were made by the representatives of Norway and New Zealand.

The motion was rejected, by a recorded vote of 90 to 54, with 34 abstentions.

The representative of France orally revised the text and announced that Bosnia and Herzegovina and Turkey had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Myanmar.

45th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [64 (c)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.33

The Committee continued to take action on the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 89 to 29, with 63 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Barbados, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Egypt, Thailand, Ecuador and the Syrian Arab Republic; after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, Brazil, Cuba, India, Indonesia, Viet Nam, Japan, Costa Rica and Myanmar.

A statement was made by the representative of the Niger regarding the vote of his delegation.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.40

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Canada announced that The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran moved for the adjournment of debate on the draft resolution under rule 116 of the rules of procedure.

Statements in favour of the motion were made by the representatives of Pakistan and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela; statements against the motion were made by the representatives of Canada and Australia (also on behalf of Andorra, San Marino, Liechtenstein, Iceland, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Palau and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia).

The motion was rejected by a recorded vote of 81 to 71, with 28 abstentions.

The representative of Canada made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was made by the representative of Argentina regarding the vote of his delegation.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution by a recorded vote of 70 to 51, with 60 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Belarus, the Syrian Arab Republic, Uganda (on behalf of the Organization for Islamic Conference), Egypt, Ecuador, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua and Cuba; after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Brazil.

Advancement of women [56 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.13/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of the Philippines announced that Albania, Andorra, Austria, Bulgaria, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, the Czech Republic, the Dominican Republic, Finland, Germany, Guatemala, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Thailand, the United Republic of Tanzania, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Uruguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Angola, Australia, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cape Verde, Chad, the Congo, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, France, the Gambia, Greece, Grenada, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Jamaica, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Lithuania, Mali, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zambia also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Peru read out correction to the Spanish version of operative paragraph 12 of the draft resolution, to correspond to the English version of the text.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.13/Rev.1.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of Mexico and Ecuador made statements.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.53/Rev.1 (and programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/63/L.72)

The attention of the Committee was drawn to the programme budget implications on the draft resolution contained in document A/C.3/63/L.72.

The representative of Slovenia made a statement and announced that the Czech Republic, Germany and Malta, joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Angola, Armenia, Benin, Burundi, Canada, Finland, France, Greece, Guinea, Liberia, Uganda and Ukraine also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States requested a separate vote on operative paragraph 13 of the draft resolution. Following a statement by the representative of Belgium, the Committee retained the operative paragraph, by a recorded vote of 165 to 1, with 8 abstentions.

On a point of order, a statement was made by the representative of Egypt.

The Secretary responded to the questions raised.

The Chairperson made a statement and ruled that rule 129 or the rules of procedure of the General Assembly did not provide for a draft resolution to be voted upon whenever a separate vote had been requested on parts of the proposal.

Following statements by the representatives of Egypt, New Zealand, India, Guatemala, the United Republic of Tanzania, China, the Gambia, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic, France and Belgium, and further to a request for a vote, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.53/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 178 to none, with no abstentions.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Malaysia.

Monday, 24 November 2008

General Assembly

Sixty-third session

57th plenary meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights: draft resolution (A/63/L.31) [64]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/63L.31 (resolution 63/25).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 64.

Question of Palestine [16]

(a) Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/63/35)

(b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/63/368)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/63/L.32, A/63/L.33, A/63/L.34 and A/63/L.35)

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Saviour Borg, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inaliena Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement, in the course of which he introdu the report of the Committee (A/63/35).

H.E. Mr. Riad Malki, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Palestine, made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Touhid Hossain, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union and those countries that aligned themselves with the statement), Cuba (on beh of the Non-Aligned Movement), India, Viet Nam, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia and Saudi Arabia.

Main Committees

Third Committee

46th–47th meetings — The summary of the 46th and 47th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in th next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2008/231).

Fifth Committee

20th meeting — *United Nations pension system* . . . . . [1

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board Under introduced the report of the Board (A/63/9).

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to the report of the Secretary-General on the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and steps and efforts taken to increase diversification of the Fund (A/C.5/63/2).

The Chairman informed the Committee that the representative of the Secretary-Gene for the investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund was unable to atte the meeting, as he was attending the quarterly meeting of the Investments Committee and that his statement had been distributed to the Committee.

The Chief of Service I of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced th report of the Secretary-General on the administrative and financial implications arisi from the report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (A/63/363).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Question introduced the related report of that Committee (A/62/556).

Statements were made by the representatives of Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of th Group of 77 and China), the Russian Federation, the United States and Ecuador.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item woul begin on that day, Monday, 24 November, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship Mr. Patrick Chuasoto (Philippines), Rapporteur of the Committee.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

314th meeting *International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People*

The Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The representative of the President of the Security Council made a statement.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Palestinian Authority read out a message from H.E. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and President of the Palestinian Authority.

The Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories made a statement.

The representative of Cuba read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba, on behalf of the Chair of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries.

The representative of Uganda read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, in his capacity as Chairman of the Thirty-fifth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania read a message from the President of the United Republic of Tanzania, in his capacity as Chairman of the African Union.

The observer for the League of Arab States read a message from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States.

The General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches made a statement, on behalf of the civil society organizations active on the question of Palestine.

Messages on the occasion were received from the Heads of State of the following countries: Algeria, Bahrain, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Jordan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Senegal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, Viet Nam and Yemen.

Messages were received from the Heads of Government of the following countries: Bangladesh, Bulgaria, China, India, Mali and Thailand.

Messages were received from the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the following countries: Botswana, Colombia, Japan, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Syrian Arab Republic.

A message was received from the Government of Guyana.

A message was received from the European Union and the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

A statement was made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations.

A concluding statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property. New York, 2 December 2004

Ratification: Lebanon (21 November 2008)[1]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Ratification: Vanuatu (21 November 2008)[1]

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. Vienna, April 1980

Accession: Lebanon (21 November 2008)[1]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Lebanon (21 November 2008)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Lebanon (21 November 2008)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Convention on Cluster Munitions
Dublin, 30 May 2008

Opening for signature

In accordance with its article 15, the Convention on Cluster Munitions will be open fo signature in Oslo by all States on 3 December 2008 and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf o a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specific treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentia alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail holbrook@un.org).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at <http://treaties.un.org>.

For general information on the signing conference, including registration, financial support, travel and visa arrangements, please consult the following Web site: <www.osloccm.no>.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2008* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Mauritius
H.E. Mr. Somduth Soborun

Asian States:
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
H.E. Mr. Mohammad Khazaee

Eastern European States:
Croatia
H.E. Mr. Neven Jurica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Chile
H.E. Mr. Heraldo Muñoz

Western European and other States:
Iceland
H.E. Mr. Hjálmar Hannesson

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Monday, 24 November 2008.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-third session
A/63/543/Corr.1–S/2008/704/Corr.1	Item 21 — Question of Cyprus — Letter dated 7 November 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.32	Item 16 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.33	Item 16 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.34	Item 16 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Special information programme on the question of Palestine of the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.35	Item 16 — Question of Palestine — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.36	Item 15 — The situation in the Middle East — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Djibouti, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — Jerusalem [A C E F R S]
A/63/L.37	Item 15 — The situation in the Middle East — Algeria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Comoros, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Egypt,

Guinea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mauritania, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zimbabwe and Palestine: draft resolution — The Syrian Golan [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/63/L.43 Item 54 — Operational activities for development — Antigua and Barbuda: draft resolution — High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation [A C E F R S]

A/C.2/63/L.47 Item 51 (a) — Globalization and interdependence: role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Troy Torrington (Guyana), on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/63/L.33 — Development cooperation with middle-income countries [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/63/L.16/Rev.1 Item 60 (a) — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Albania, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Namibia, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Saint Lucia, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): revised draft resolution — Rights of the child [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/63/L.39/Rev.1 Item 64 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Albania, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): revised draft resolution — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/63/L.57/Rev.1 Item 58 — Report of the Human Rights Council — Mauritius: revised draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/63/L.58/Rev.1 Item 39 — Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions —

	Mauritius: revised draft resolution — Assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/63/L.70	Items 118 and 62 (b) — Programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action — Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action — Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/63/L.51/Rev.1 — Statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly[A C E F R S]
	Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus
A/CONF.212/1INF/1	Information for participants [A C E F R S]

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2008/696	Letter dated 7 November 2008 from the Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/63/543/Corr.1–S/2008/704/Corr.1	Letter dated 7 November 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
S/2008/714	Letter dated 17 November 2008 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

Economic and Social Council

	Documents
	Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations 2009 regular session
E/C.2/2009/2/Add.1	Quadrennial reports for the perid 2003-2006 submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative staus with the Economic and Social Council through the Secretary-General pursuant to Council resolution 1996/31 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
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